

House Study Bill 82 - Introduced

SENATE/HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES BILL)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the development of a prioritization policy
2 for the awarding of openings under Medicaid home and
3 community-based services waivers when the respective waiver
4 is subject to a waiting list.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 249A.32A, Code 2015, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 **249A.32A Home and community-based services waivers —**
4 **limitations.**

5 In administering a home and community-based services waiver,
6 the total number of openings at any one time shall be limited
7 to the number approved for the waiver by the secretary of the
8 United States department of health and human services. ~~The~~
9 ~~openings shall be available on a first-come, first-served~~
10 ~~basis.~~ The department shall develop, by administrative rule
11 pursuant to chapter 17A, a prioritization policy for the
12 awarding of openings under each of the home and community-based
13 services waivers to be implemented when the respective waiver
14 is subject to a waiting list.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill directs the department of human services to
19 develop, by administrative rule, a prioritization policy for
20 the awarding of openings under each of the Medicaid home and
21 community-based services waivers to be implemented when the
22 respective waiver is subject to a waiting list. Previously,
23 the openings were made available on a first-come, first-served
24 basis.